

The Buckeye Valley Historical Society

We are dedicated to bringing about a better understanding and appreciation of the archaeological, historical, and cultural significance of Buckeye Valley and its communities by our residents and visitors.

We support the Buckeye Valley Museum through the following programs and services:

- ◆ Provide a means by which persons and organizations interested in supporting and promoting the Buckeye Valley Museum may voluntarily contribute their time, services and financial support.
- ◆ Receive and administer funds and other property solely for the betterment of the Museum operated by the City of Buckeye that promote the educational and interpretive activities undertaken by the Museum.
- ◆ Support the docent, archives, and other programs conducted by the Museum.
- ◆ Disburse all net proceeds received by the corporation to or for the direct benefit of the Museum, deducting only those amounts that must be expended for necessary staff, operating and promotional costs, and proper accounting.
- ◆ The Society may acquire, own, dispose of, and deal with real and personal property and interests therein, and may apply gifts, bequests, and devises, and the proceeds thereof, in furtherance of the purpose of the corporation.
- ◆ Help collect and curate donations of artifacts, letters, documents, photographs, and other material related.

Mark Your Calendar to “Walk through Time”

September-May
Fridays & Saturdays
11 a.m - 4 p.m.

Call or email to
schedule group or
school tours anytime
throughout the year.



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FUN FACTS ABOUT BUCKEYE

- ◆ After the Hohokam Indians left the Buckeye Valley approximately 700 years ago, the area remained empty until the 1880s.
- ◆ The construction of the Buckeye Canal in 1885 opened up large tracts of land for farming.
- ◆ The first crops of Buckeye were alfalfa and grain used to feed livestock. Later cotton became the primary crop.
- ◆ The Town of Sidney, later called Buckeye was established in 1888 by Thomas Newton Clanton and Oscar L. Mahoney.
- ◆ Buckeye served as the commercial center for the scattered farming communities
- ◆ Famous Author Upton Sinclair’s moved to downtown Buckeye in his adult years where he published his autobiography.
- ◆ Buckeye is over 600 sq. miles in land size; larger than the city of Phoenix. As an up and coming national known city, it is our duty to preserve our local history and capture it as we grow!

BUCKEYE VALLEY MUSEUM

Bringing the past to life by
preserving our local history!



116 E. MC 85 Buckeye, AZ 85326

OPEN
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Fri. & Sat. 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
*Other times available by appointment



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WELCOME TO THE BUCKEYE VALLEY MUSEUM

With a focus on local history, The Buckeye Valley Museum contains an impressive collection of pre-Columbian pottery, historic photographs, and local artifacts from the earliest days of Buckeye. It is a great place to come learn and connect with the rich and vibrant history of the Buckeye Valley.



Looking down Main Street along Monroe

Established by I.H. Parkman in 1954, the museum was run by the Buckeye Valley Historical and Archeological Society along with countless volunteers. Over the years the museum has seen many changes as the Historical Society added two large gallery rooms onto the original building.



It is the people of the Buckeye Valley that make the history. They grow the crops, build the houses, and make the tools.

The Museum preserves their story for future generations. We maintain biographies and photos of the Buckeye Valley and West Gila Valley Old Settlers Union, which was founded in 1934. We have over 16,000 names entered into our family history program. We interview our residents to document their life experiences. The Museum uses our settlers' own words to tell the story of Buckeye Valley. Come visit and tell us your story.



Exhibit spaces were continuously remodeled and new exhibits were created to bring new life to our shared history. In 2007, the City of Buckeye took over operations of the Museum and in 2014

an extensive remodel of the museum was undertaken.

Join us in discovering the wonders of Buckeye Valley history through our vast collection of historic photographs, newspaper articles and historical facades that bring history to life!



Buckeye Valley Historical Society Membership Application

Do you love history like us?
Join a society committed to helping the Buckeye Valley Museum bring our past to life by preserving our local history.
Consider becoming a member!

RETURN YOUR MEMBERSHIP TO

Membership Chair
P.O. Box 292
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Membership questions
email Linda Davis at
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Name: _____

Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

My preferred membership level:

___ Individual (\$ 20) ___ Family (\$ 30)

___ Patron (\$ 75) ___ Business (\$100)

The Buckeye Valley Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.